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# CURRENT MINNESOTA LABOR MARKET CONDITIONS

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## Nation

Although the monthly economic reports for June gave out mixed signals, the real gross national product data for the first and second quarters indicated that the Nations's economy was very sluggish in the first half of the year. While a few economists expect the economy to slide into a recession, most expect moderate or strong growth in the second half of the year.

Labor market conditions appeared to weaken in June as total employment declined, non-farm payroll employment rose very slowly and the unemployment rate remained at 7.3 percent for the fifth consecutive month in June. Although seasonally adjusted total employment fell by 590,000 in June, the drop may have been overstated because of seasonal adjustment problems. Meanwhile, seasonally adjusted non-farm payroll employment experienced its smallest increase in almost 2 years in June, rising by only 80,000 after monthly gains averaging 260,000 in the previous 5 months. In addition to the continued declines in durable goods manufacturing employment, there were also June decreases in construction and government employment.

Among the mixed developments in June and the second quarter were declines in retail sales and housing permits and very small increases in industrial production, housing starts and real gross national prodcut. On the other hand, personal income and spending continued to show good gains.

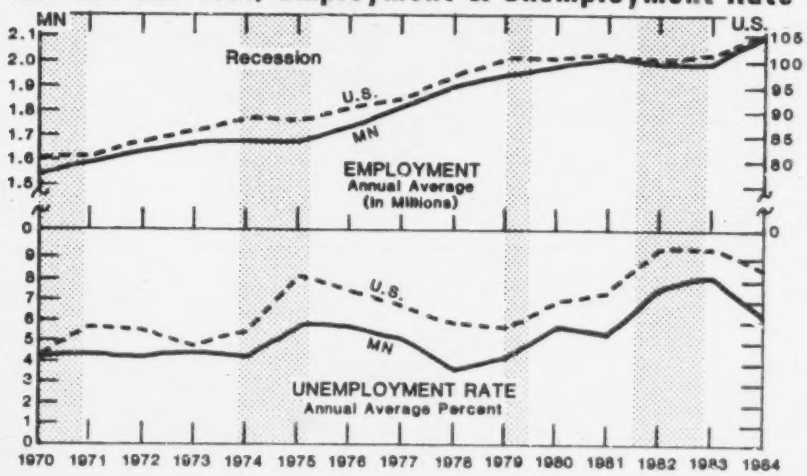
## State

The Minnesota economy appeared to weaken further in June as total employment continued to fall and employment in the cyclically sensitive sectors showed further declines. Economists disagree as to what direction the State's economy will take in the second half of the year.

Although the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate rose 0.1 of a percentage point to 5.1 percent in June, State analysts did not consider the small one month rise significant. On the other hand, seasonally adjusted total employment fell for the third consecutive month in June and was below the levels of the past three quarters. Also, even though total seasonally adjusted non-farm payroll employment rose again in June as a result of large increases in nondurable goods manufacturing and government, employment in construction, durable goods manufacturing, and retail trade continued to decline. Employment in contruction dropped for the third straight month in June largely because of sharp declines in the special trades. Durable goods manufacturing employment fell for the fourth month in a row in June and was below the level of a year ago. The largest declines in durable goods manufacturing over the past four months were in office computing, fabricated metals, electrical machinery, and transportation equipment.

| Labor Force Estimates | MINNESOTA (Numbers in '000's) | | | UNITED STATES (Numbers in '000,000's) | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | June 1985 | Change From Last Mo. | Change From Year Ago | June 1985 | Change From Last Mo. | Change From Year Ago |
| Civilian Labor Force | 2267.1 | 36.4 | -5.1 | 116.6 | 1.7 | 1.2 |
| Employed | 2154.5 | 30.6 | 18.7 | 107.8 | 0.9 | 1.0 |
| Unemployed | 112.6 | 5.8 | -23.8 | 8.8 | 0.8 | 0.2 |
| Unemployment Rate | | | | | | |
| Actual | 5.0 | 0.2 | -1.0 | 7.5 | 0.5 | 0.1 |
| Seasonally Adjusted | 5.1 | 0.1 | -1.0 | 7.3 | 0.0 | 0.2 |

**MN and the U.S., Employment & Unemployment Rate**

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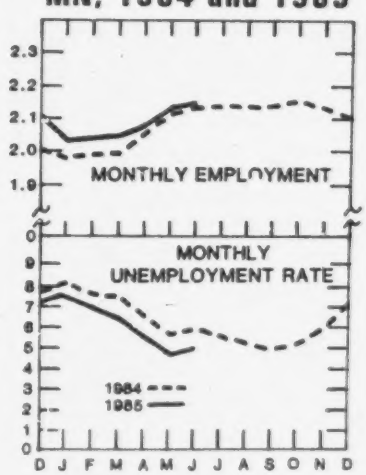

# Minnesota Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment, Hours, and Earnings

| INDUSTRY | EMPLOYMENT 1/ (thousands) | | | PER CENT CHANGE FROM | | PRODUCTION WORKERS' HOURS & EARNINGS | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | | Average Weekly Earnings | | Average Hourly Earnings | | Average Weekly Hours | |
| | June 1985 | May 1985 | June 1984 | May 1985 | June 1984 | June 1985 | May 1985 | June 1985 | May 1985 | June 1985 | May 1985 |
| TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL | 1903.9 | 1891.0 | 1841.8 | 0.7 | 3.4 | | | | | | |
| MANUFACTURING | 381.6 | 375.5 | 379.1 | 1.6 | 0.7 | 400.97 | 399.17 | 10.10 | 10.08 | 39.7 | 39.6 |
| Durable Goods | 228.9 | 227.6 | 229.2 | 0.6 | -0.2 | 420.45 | 413.31 | 10.28 | 10.18 | 40.9 | 40.6 |
| Furniture, Lumber and Wood | 18.1 | 17.6 | 17.0 | 3.0 | 6.8 | 492.15 | 455.39 | 11.58 | 11.08 | 42.5 | 41.1 |
| Stone, Clay and Glass | 9.3 | 8.9 | 9.4 | 5.1 | -1.0 | 380.79 | 378.14 | 10.49 | 10.36 | 36.3 | 36.5 |
| Primary Metals | 6.0 | 6.0 | 6.6 | -0.2 | -10.4 | 404.81 | 391.46 | 9.57 | 9.41 | 42.3 | 41.6 |
| Fabricated Metals | 35.0 | 35.2 | 35.3 | -0.5 | -0.9 | 457.87 | 445.26 | 10.98 | 10.86 | 41.7 | 41.0 |
| Nonelectrical Machinery | 93.6 | 94.0 | 92.2 | -0.5 | 1.5 | 435.34 | 433.54 | 10.67 | 10.60 | 40.8 | 40.9 |
| Electrical Machinery | 27.8 | 27.2 | 28.5 | 1.9 | -2.5 | 320.37 | 314.42 | 7.93 | 7.90 | 40.4 | 39.8 |
| Transportation Equipment | 6.8 | 6.8 | 7.1 | 0.2 | -4.3 | 500.98 | 513.48 | 11.57 | 11.67 | 43.3 | 44.0 |
| Other Durable Goods 2/ | 32.3 | 31.9 | 33.1 | 1.5 | -2.3 | 389.46 | 389.86 | 9.64 | 9.65 | 40.4 | 40.4 |
| Nondurable Goods | 152.7 | 147.9 | 149.8 | 3.2 | 1.9 | 374.90 | 379.10 | 9.84 | 9.95 | 38.1 | 38.1 |
| Food and Kindred | 47.9 | 44.2 | 46.5 | 8.2 | 3.0 | 315.09 | 325.62 | 8.38 | 8.66 | 37.6 | 37.6 |
| Textile and Apparel | 4.7 | 4.7 | 5.3 | 0.7 | -10.9 | 226.04 | 229.74 | 6.21 | 6.26 | 36.4 | 36.7 |
| Paper and Allied | 34.5 | 33.8 | 34.6 | 2.3 | -0.1 | 498.62 | 494.25 | 11.76 | 11.74 | 42.4 | 42.1 |
| Printing and Publishing | 42.1 | 41.7 | 39.9 | 0.9 | 5.5 | 373.82 | 375.95 | 10.62 | 10.65 | 35.2 | 35.3 |
| Chemical and Petroleum | 10.1 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 1.3 | 1.8 | 439.08 | 441.38 | 11.06 | 11.09 | 39.7 | 39.8 |
| Rubber and Leather | 13.4 | 13.6 | 13.7 | -1.4 | -2.2 | 316.47 | 316.99 | 8.35 | 8.32 | 37.9 | 38.1 |
| NONMANUFACTURING | 1522.4 | 1515.5 | 1462.7 | 0.5 | 4.1 | | | | | | |
| Mining and Quarrying | 10.2 | 10.0 | 11.1 | 2.2 | -7.6 | 516.09 | 516.40 | 12.87 | 12.91 | 40.1 | 40.0 |
| Metal Mining | 7.7 | 7.8 | 8.7 | -0.7 | -10.6 | 542.14 | 539.00 | 13.83 | 13.75 | 39.2 | 39.2 |
| Construction | 80.4 | 74.0 | 73.5 | 8.7 | 9.5 | 563.92 | 557.21 | 15.20 | 15.35 | 37.1 | 36.3 |
| Building | 20.9 | 20.1 | 19.7 | 4.1 | 5.9 | 535.39 | 531.36 | 14.47 | 14.40 | 37.0 | 36.9 |
| Highway and Heavy | 16.5 | 13.5 | 14.4 | 22.4 | 15.0 | 522.82 | 471.17 | 13.44 | 13.31 | 38.9 | 35.4 |
| Special Trades | 43.0 | 40.4 | 39.4 | 6.4 | 9.2 | 594.59 | 598.02 | 16.29 | 16.52 | 36.5 | 36.2 |
| Transportation | 64.2 | 64.6 | 62.2 | -0.7 | 3.2 | | | | | | |
| Railroads | 9.9 | 9.9 | 10.9 | 0.0 | -9.5 | | | | | | |
| Trucking and Warehousing | 27.0 | 26.7 | 25.7 | 1.1 | 4.7 | 401.94 | 398.70 | 11.55 | 11.49 | 34.8 | 34.7 |
| Public Utilities | 35.0 | 34.8 | 35.2 | 0.6 | -0.7 | 543.11 | 544.16 | 13.41 | 13.37 | 40.5 | 40.7 |
| Communications | 20.3 | 20.2 | 20.6 | 0.4 | -1.3 | 514.98 | 514.56 | 12.32 | 12.31 | 41.8 | 41.8 |
| Elec., Gas and Sanitary | 14.7 | 14.6 | 14.7 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 577.20 | 580.26 | 14.80 | 14.69 | 39.0 | 39.5 |
| Trade | 481.3 | 477.3 | 465.3 | 0.8 | 3.5 | 228.0 | 225.85 | 7.60 | 7.63 | 30.0 | 29.6 |
| Retail | 360.9 | 358.2 | 347.2 | 0.8 | 4.0 | 182.82 | 180.73 | 6.60 | 6.62 | 27.7 | 27.3 |
| General Merchandise | 49.4 | 50.1 | 47.1 | -1.4 | 4.8 | 172.85 | 165.54 | 6.24 | 6.20 | 27.7 | 26.7 |
| Food Stores | 47.9 | 47.1 | 47.4 | 1.8 | 1.1 | 199.63 | 196.95 | 6.98 | 7.11 | 28.6 | 27.7 |
| Automotive | 39.8 | 39.4 | 37.4 | 1.0 | 6.5 | 346.30 | 348.13 | 9.54 | 9.46 | 36.3 | 36.8 |
| Eating and Drinking | 127.4 | 126.1 | 121.8 | 1.1 | 4.7 | 104.19 | 102.83 | 4.53 | 4.57 | 23.0 | 22.5 |
| Wholesale | 120.4 | 119.1 | 118.1 | 1.1 | 2.0 | 385.70 | 385.44 | 10.15 | 10.17 | 38.0 | 37.9 |
| F.I.R.E. | 110.2 | 109.3 | 107.1 | 0.8 | 2.9 | | | | | | |
| Finance | 51.1 | 50.8 | 50.2 | 0.7 | 1.7 | | | | | | |
| Insurance | 40.0 | 39.6 | 38.5 | 1.0 | 3.7 | | | | | | |
| Real Estate | 19.1 | 18.9 | 18.3 | 0.9 | 4.4 | | | | | | |
| Service Industries | 441.2 | 440.5 | 414.2 | 0.2 | 6.5 | | | | | | |
| Hotel and Lodging | 25.3 | 23.7 | 24.2 | 6.7 | 4.5 | | | | | | |
| Business Services | 82.3 | 81.4 | 73.7 | 1.1 | 11.7 | | | | | | |
| Health Services | 137.8 | 137.0 | 128.7 | 0.6 | 7.1 | | | | | | |
| Private Education | 20.1 | 24.8 | 19.7 | -18.9 | 2.0 | | | | | | |
| Soc. Serv., Museums etc. | 92.6 | 92.7 | 89.9 | -0.1 | 3.1 | | | | | | |
| Government | 299.8 | 305.0 | 294.1 | -1.7 | 1.9 | | | | | | |
| Federal | 31.8 | 31.4 | 30.8 | 1.3 | 3.1 | | | | | | |
| State | 71.4 | 77.6 | 70.3 | -8.1 | 1.5 | | | | | | |
| Local | 196.6 | 196.0 | 193.0 | 0.3 | 1.9 | | | | | | |

1/ Totals may not add because of rounding.
2/ Includes Scientific Instruments and Miscellaneous Industries.

# Labor Market Conditions

## Labor Force Data: State, MSAs, and Counties

| Area or County | June 1985, Prelim. | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Labor Force 1/ | Unemp. | Unemp. Rate | Year Ago |
| **State of Minnesota** | 2267129 | 112626 | 5.0 | 6.0 |
| **Metropolitan Areas** | | | | |
| Duluth/Superior MSA | 101894 | 7962 | 7.8 | 9.7 |
| St. Louis County | 84738 | 6058 | 7.1 | 9.5 |
| City of Duluth | 34829 | 2443 | 7.0 | 8.9 |
| Douglas County (Wisc.) | 17156 | 1904 | 11.1 | 10.1 |
| Fargo/Moorhead MSA | 80170 | 2956 | 3.7 | 3.9 |
| Cass County (N. Dakota) | 51791 | 1769 | 3.4 | 3.0 |
| Clay County | 28379 | 1187 | 4.2 | 5.3 |
| Mpls./St. Paul-MN-WI MSA | 1275589 | 51955 | 4.1 | 4.9 |
| Anoka County | 119025 | 5104 | 4.3 | 4.9 |
| Carver County | 22240 | 839 | 3.8 | 4.1 |
| Chisago County | 15780 | 815 | 5.2 | 4.6 |
| Dakota County | 118994 | 4750 | 4.0 | 4.4 |
| Hennepin County | 556994 | 22316 | 4.0 | 5.2 |
| City of Bloomington | 48608 | 2060 | 4.2 | 5.0 |
| City of Minneapolis | 215144 | 9208 | 4.3 | 5.7 |
| Isanti County | 14257 | 881 | 6.2 | 4.7 |
| Ramsey County | 271570 | 11302 | 4.2 | 5.1 |
| City of St. Paul | 156258 | 7392 | 4.7 | 5.5 |
| St. Croix County (Wisc.) | 25681 | 899 | 3.5 | 4.3 |
| Scott County | 26733 | 1191 | 4.5 | 4.4 |
| Washington County | 58953 | 2408 | 3.5 | 4.0 |
| Wright County | 35362 | 1460 | 4.1 | 4.3 |
| Rochester MSA-Olmsted Cty. | 62126 | 2245 | 3.6 | 4.3 |
| St. Cloud MSA | 81909 | 5379 | 6.6 | 7.0 |
| Benton County | 12733 | 898 | 7.1 | 6.7 |
| Sherburne County | 15530 | 1113 | 7.2 | 7.4 |
| Stearns County | 53646 | 3368 | 6.3 | 6.9 |
| **Counties** | | | | |
| Aitkin | 5556 | 692 | 12.5 | 14.7 |
| Becker | 12986 | 1093 | 8.4 | 11.8 |
| Beltrami | 17109 | 1219 | 7.1 | 8.0 |
| Big Stone | 4124 | 212 | 5.1 | 6.4 |
| Blue Earth | 28656 | 1255 | 4.4 | 4.7 |
| Brown | 15472 | 789 | 5.1 | 5.8 |
| Carlton | 11585 | 912 | 7.9 | 10.4 |
| Cass | 11527 | 844 | 7.3 | 8.8 |
| Chippewa | 7973 | 471 | 5.9 | 5.7 |
| Clearwater | 4246 | 583 | 13.7 | 17.4 |
| Cook | 2364 | 186 | 7.9 | 9.0 |
| Cottonwood | 7797 | 591 | 7.6 | 8.9 |
| Crow Wing | 18904 | 1330 | 7.0 | 8.2 |
| Dodge | 9201 | 500 | 5.4 | 7.1 |
| Douglas | 14726 | 776 | 5.3 | 5.6 |
| Faribault | 11496 | 505 | 4.4 | 5.8 |
| Fillmore | 13678 | 755 | 5.5 | 6.2 |
| Freeborn | 18070 | 934 | 5.2 | 7.2 |
| Goodhue | 20983 | 1120 | 5.3 | 6.5 |
| Grant | 3830 | 150 | 3.9 | 5.2 |
| Houston | 10795 | 480 | 4.4 | 4.8 |
| Hubbard | 6031 | 539 | 8.9 | 11.6 |
| Itasca | 16807 | 1648 | 9.8 | 11.5 |
| Jackson | 8927 | 432 | 4.8 | 5.0 |
| Kanabec | 5966 | 569 | 9.5 | 10.1 |
| Kandiyohi | 19553 | 964 | 4.9 | 5.5 |
| Kittson | 3509 | 257 | 7.3 | 8.5 |
| Koochiching | 7597 | 980 | 12.9 | 9.4 |
| Lac Qui Parle | 6122 | 249 | 4.1 | 5.7 |
| Lake | 4650 | 423 | 9.1 | 15.0 |
| Lake of the Woods | 1939 | 118 | 6.1 | 8.4 |
| Le Sueur | 13531 | 886 | 6.5 | 8.1 |
| Lincoln | 4269 | 178 | 4.2 | 5.8 |
| Lyon | 16092 | 648 | 4.0 | 5.2 |
| McLeod | 16226 | 785 | 4.3 | 5.5 |
| Mahnomen | 3062 | 280 | 9.1 | 10.3 |
| Marshall | 6547 | 688 | 10.5 | 12.3 |
| Martin | 14660 | 802 | 5.5 | 5.9 |
| Meeker | 11302 | 621 | 5.5 | 9.3 |
| Mille Lacs | 9522 | 665 | 7.0 | 8.0 |
| Morrison | 13713 | 1088 | 7.9 | 8.9 |
| Mower | 18932 | 908 | 4.8 | 5.7 |
| Murray | 6594 | 343 | 5.2 | 6.6 |
| Nicollet | 15074 | 641 | 4.3 | 4.7 |
| Nobles | 12525 | 723 | 5.8 | 5.8 |
| Norman | 4992 | 291 | 5.8 | 6.6 |
| Otter Tail | 26161 | 1920 | 7.3 | 9.7 |
| Pennington | 6215 | 446 | 7.2 | 8.5 |
| Pine | 10247 | 780 | 7.6 | 9.0 |
| Pipestone | 6174 | 270 | 4.4 | 4.6 |
| Polk | 17327 | 1277 | 7.4 | 9.2 |
| Pope | 5992 | 278 | 4.6 | 5.9 |
| Red Lake | 2264 | 258 | 11.4 | 14.4 |
| Redwood | 11620 | 639 | 5.5 | 5.2 |
| Renville | 12688 | 873 | 6.9 | 7.4 |
| Rice | 24185 | 1471 | 6.1 | 6.9 |
| Rock | 6291 | 227 | 3.6 | 3.6 |
| Roseau | 6913 | 421 | 6.1 | 8.8 |
| Sibley | 9023 | 535 | 5.9 | 6.1 |
| Steele | 17474 | 839 | 4.8 | 5.6 |
| Stevens | 6098 | 219 | 3.6 | 4.5 |
| Swift | 6685 | 518 | 7.7 | 10.5 |
| Todd | 11955 | 704 | 5.9 | 7.2 |
| Traverse | 3048 | 121 | 4.0 | 4.8 |
| Wabasha | 10474 | 621 | 5.9 | 8.3 |
| Wadena | 5612 | 351 | 6.3 | 7.8 |
| Waseca | 9866 | 523 | 5.3 | 5.0 |
| Watonwan | 6801 | 281 | 4.1 | 7.3 |
| Wilkin | 4468 | 266 | 6.0 | 6.6 |
| Winona | 22952 | 1390 | 6.1 | 7.5 |
| Yellow Medicine | 8316 | 340 | 4.1 | 5.2 |

Technical Notes:

1/ Labor force data is computed according to BLS methodology. The method includes an adjustment to assure that the sum of the substate areas equals the separately estimated State total. This adjustment is applied to all county and MSA areas. County and area unemployment was multiplied by an adjustment factor of 1.26 ; employment was multiplied by .99 . For a more detailed explanation see the Review of Labor and Economic Conditions, Vol. 4, No. 4, (February 1978 issue), p. 29.

Labor force is the sum of employment and unemployment; therefore, employment can be derived by subtracting unemployment from the labor force.

# Selected Minnesota Program Statistics

## Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed

Tables 1 and 2 provide data on persons who filed a claim for unemployment compensation in Minnesota during the month. Only those claiming benefits from the regular State program are represented since data on the characteristics of Federal employees and veterans are not available.

The total number of claimants for unemployment benefits fell by 1,620 or 4.8 percent in June. June's percent decline in claimants compared with a seven year average drop of 6.7 percent between May and June. Among the industry sectors, the smallest over-the-month percent decline was 0.7 percent in manufacturing where claimants, on average, fall by 9.6 percent from May to June. Moreover, seasonally adjusted claimant data show that the total number of claimants rose in June for the first time since January and that claimants in manufacturing increased sharply in June after gains in seven of the past nine months. Over the year, the total number of claimants rose by 3,969 or 14.0 percent. A large rise of 5,290 in manufacturing was partially offset by a drop of 2,751 in services.

**Table 1. Distribution of Insured Unemployed, By Age and Sex,** June 1985

| Age Groups | Number | Percent Distributions | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Men of Totals | Men of Men | Women of Women |
| TOTALS | 32269 | 62.1 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Under 45 | 24488 | 63.1 | 77.1 | 73.8 |
| Under 25 | 5222 | 63.1 | 16.4 | 15.8 |
| 25-34 | 11923 | 65.1 | 38.7 | 34.0 |
| 35-44 | 7343 | 60.0 | 22.0 | 24.0 |
| 45 and Over | 7781 | 58.9 | 22.9 | 26.2 |
| 45-54 | 4389 | 57.7 | 12.7 | 15.2 |
| 55 and Over | 3392 | 60.4 | 10.2 | 11.0 |

**Table 2. Distribution of Insured Unemployed By Industry and Occupation,** June 1985

| Industry and Occupational Attachment | Number | Percent of Total | Percent Long-Term 1/ Unemployed | Women as Percent of Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total, All Industries | 32269 | 100.0 | 23.7 | 38.2 |
| Ag., For., Fish. | 273 | 0.9 | 19.0 | 32.8 |
| Mining | 191 | 0.6 | 55.6 | 13.1 |
| Construction | 3660 | 11.3 | 27.2 | 5.5 |
| Manufacturing | 12715 | 39.4 | 23.5 | 35.8 |
| Pub. Utilities | 1510 | 4.7 | 26.4 | 24.0 |
| Wholesale Trade | 2460 | 7.6 | 27.2 | 26.6 |
| Retail Trade | 3669 | 11.4 | 25.7 | 48.1 |
| Fin., Ins., Real Est. | 940 | 2.9 | 28.0 | 62.4 |
| Services | 5953 | 18.5 | 18.0 | 61.7 |
| Public Admin. | 498 | 1.5 | 23.0 | 49.1 |
| Inf. Not Available | 400 | 1.2 | 3.2 | 42.2 |
| Total, All Occupations | 32269 | 100.0 | 23.7 | 38.2 |
| Prof., Tech., Mgr. | 5330 | 16.5 | 21.0 | 45.1 |
| Clerical | 3986 | 12.4 | 22.2 | 81.3 |
| Sales | 1370 | 4.2 | 25.9 | 35.2 |
| Services | 2341 | 7.3 | 22.0 | 58.1 |
| Farm., For., Fish. | 230 | 0.7 | 19.4 | 13.3 |
| Processing | 1501 | 4.7 | 15.5 | 38.1 |
| Machine Trades | 2692 | 8.3 | 24.9 | 16.1 |
| Benchwork | 4617 | 14.3 | 25.1 | 53.9 |
| Structural Work | 5171 | 16.0 | 25.2 | 3.5 |
| Misc. | 4711 | 14.6 | 27.0 | 21.0 |
| Inf. Not Available | 317 | 1.0 | 19.4 | 32.3 |

1/ Long-Term unemployed refers to unemployment insurance claimants whose current spell of unemployment has lasted 15 weeks or longer.

## Job Service Applicant Supply and Demand

Table 3 compares Job Service (J.S.) job applicants with the J.S. job openings that existed at the end of the month. These comparisons are expressed as supply/demand ratios. Other things being equal, the greater the ratio of applicants to openings, the greater the competition has been for work within that occupational category. To put these ratios into context, the reader must remember that not only do job seekers and employers in general find jobs or recruit workers through other means, but those interested in certain kinds of jobs are particularly unlikely to use the J.S. For example, workers seeking professional and Managerial jobs are least likely to use the J.S., whereas employers usually recruit construction workers through union halls and hire teachers directly. Thus, the main value of Table 3 is that it reflects, for broad occupational groups, the relative labor market conditions that those using the J.S. encountered when seeking work.

**Table 3. Experienced Supply/Job Openings Demand 1/**

| Occupation | Applicants (Supply) June 1985 | Job Openings (Demand) June 1985 | Supply/Demand Ratio | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | June 1985 | June 1984 |
| Total | 138426 | 16447 | 8.4 | 8.2 |
| Prof., Tech., Mgr. | 14801 | 2030 | 7.3 | 9.1 |
| Clerical | 22619 | 3408 | 6.6 | 8.2 |
| Sales | 6498 | 1562 | 4.2 | 2.8 |
| Dom. Services | 3015 | 252 | 12.0 | 10.8 |
| Other Services | 21591 | 4372 | 4.9 | 5.4 |
| Farm., Fish., For. | 9086 | 327 | 27.8 | 23.8 |
| Processing | 2850 | 1415 | 2.0 | 2.4 |
| Machine Trades | 8310 | 398 | 20.9 | 7.8 |
| Benchwork | 9789 | 619 | 15.8 | 8.9 |
| Structural Work | 17095 | 853 | 20.0 | 15.1 |
| Mtr. Frght., Trans. | 5338 | 412 | 13.0 | 10.1 |
| Pkg. & Mat. Hndlg. | 16160 | 714 | 22.6 | 21.1 |
| Other | 1274 | 85 | 15.0 | 23.3 |

1/ Inexperienced and improperly coded job applicants are not included in this table.